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SUBJECT: LATIN AMERICAN MILITARY DEBT ARREARAGES

REF: STATE 136243 AND BACKGROUND MEMORANDUM

1. SEARCH BY EMBASSY AND U.S. DELEGATION TO JOINT BRAZIL US MILITARY COMMISSION (JBUSMC) FAILED TO COME UP WITH DETAILED INFORMATION IN THE FORM OF BILLS, VOUCHERS OR PREVIOUS COMMUNICATIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE \$5,729.00 OUTSTANDING DEBT CHARGED AGAINST THE BRAZILIAN AIR FORCE. IN THE ABSENCE OF THIS INFORMATION, IT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR US TO APPROACH THE GOB ON THIS MATTER AT ANY LEVEL.

2. IN ADDITION, ACCORDING TO JBUSMC FILES, THIS DEBT APPARENTLY AROSE IN CONNECTION WITH THE RETURN COSTS (EXACT NATURE NOT KNOWN I.E., TRAVEL OR TRANSPORTATION OF HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS) INCURRED WHEN TWO U.S. MILITARY OFFICERS WERE WITHDRAWN FROM THE ESCOLA SUPERIOR DE GUERRA (BRAZIL'S EQUIVALENT OF OUR WAR COLLEGE). SINCE THESE OFFICERS WERE WITHDRAWN BY USG PRIOR TO THE COMPLETION OF THE CONTRACTED TERM," IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST OF THE UNITED STATES", THE QUESTION

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ARISES AS TO WHETHER THIS ACTION ON OUR PART VOIDED

ANY GOB OBLIGATION TO PAY THEIR RETURN COSTS.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: A) DO INTERESTED
WASHINGTON AGENCIES HAVE ANY INFORMATION ON THIS
DEBT ARREARAGE (PARTICULARLY BILLS AND VOUCHERS)?
B) DID WE, IN FACT, VOID ANY GOB OBLIGATION TO
PAY THE RETURN COSTS OF THESE OFFICERS AS A
RESULT OF OUR WITHDRAWING THEM BEFORE THE DUE
DATE "IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST OF THE UNITED STATES"?
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